

Las Familias de California

(The Families of California)

INTRODUCTION



WITH THIS ISSUE, the QUARTERLY inaugurates a new feature, a genealogical section, for which there seems to be some demand. There has always been a good deal of interest among Californians in their ancestry, and many of the descendants of the old families have carefully traced their pedigrees back as far as possible. Our Historical Society has never made a systematic effort to assist its members and others to make genealogical studies as, for example, the *Sons of the Revolution* and other organizations do, in which eligibility for membership is based on the applicant's family tree. Our only requirement for membership is a genuine interest in the history of our state and our region and a desire to be a Californian. We have always subscribed to the definition of a Californian which that grand old lady of California literature Ella Sterling Mighels once gave: "A Californian is one who was either born in California or reborn here."

We are now about to embark upon this venture in order to give our members a little more genealogical help if they want it. This section will consist of four pages in each issue and it will be conducted somewhat like that famous old periodical called *Notes and Queries*. That is, any reader who has an interesting genealogical fact to communicate may send it in and it will be published. Likewise, any reader who wishes to send in a question about genealogy may do so and it will be published. Then we will hope that in the next issue someone will answer it. In this way we may develop a very lively and interesting section.

Your Editor has asked our fellow-member, Mrs. Joseph M. Northrop, to take charge of this section and she has graciously consented to do so. She has had a good deal of experience in genealogical research and is well qualified to do this work. We will give her a very free hand. In the following paragraphs she has set down the general rules under which the section will be conducted. I hope that our readers will like this new feature and that many of them will avail themselves of the potentialities.—*The Editor*.

Genealogical Queries

Here and there, persons can be found who are interested in California families. Therefore, this genealogical section of the QUARTERLY has been formed. It is the desire of this department to be of service to the members of the *Historical Society of Southern California* who might have reason to seek aid through this medium of exchange of information. Your written queries and answers are welcomed. Due to conditions of time and printing space, certain regulations are obviously necessary. It will be appreciated if the following suggestions are observed:

(1) Confine information to ancestors who arrived in California prior to November 1, 1883 (founding date of the *Historical Society of Southern California*).

(2) Provide as nearly as possible the following information regarding each individual:

- (a) Full name,
- (b) Date (or approximate date) of birth, marriage, and death,
- (c) Places of each event,
- (d) Names of children (if any) and
- (e) List sources of information.

(3) Limit your query or answer to seventy-five words or less.

The right to edit is reserved. Your query will be given a number and publication will be in chronological order. Your name and address will be published with your query to promote direct correspondence. Detailed answers will be forwarded only with the enclosure of a stamped self-addressed envelope.

The Society will be happy to accept any genealogical material, photographs, or family histories. All letters pertaining to this department should be addressed to:

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
1909 South Western Avenue
Los Angeles 18, California

As a start to this newly formed section of the QUARTERLY, the following queries are submitted:

1. MRS. LESTER W. TRYCE, Rt. 4, Box 443, Bakersfield, Calif.— Seeking further information on Jacinto Lorenzana and his wife, Maria del Carmen Rodriguez, (called Carmen). Carmen was born 28 Sept. 1798, Santa Barbara, California. Where was Jacinto Lorenzana born, when did he arrive in Santa Barbara, and when did these persons die? Carmen's parents were Jose Ygnacio Rodriguez and Juana Paula Parra.

2. MRS. JOSEPH M. NORTHROP, 5007 Range View Ave., Los Angeles 42, Calif. — Am seeking the death date of Maria Manuela Antonia Nieto, b. 4 Aug. 1791, Rancho Santa Gertrudis; md. Guillermo Coto 14 July 1805 at San Gabriel. Manuela Nieto appears in the 1836 Padron of Los Angeles but not in the 1844. An unsigned will is dated Aug. 1837.

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Genealogical Notes

Padron (Census) of Los Angeles, 1790

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MRS. JOSEPH M. NORTROP*

1. MARIANO DE LA LUZ VERDUGO, laborer, 44, from San Javier, Baja California, married to GREGORIA ESPINOSA, 28, widow: daughter by her first marriage, *Maria Concepcion*, 12; stepchildren: *Jose Zalazar*, 8; *Maria Marta*, 5; *Maria Teodora Zalazar*, 2.

2. MARIA IGNACIA CARILLO, 65, widow from Loreto, Baja California. Her son, *Leonardo Verdugo*, laborer, 29; grandson, *Jose Antonio Gongora*, 12.

3. JOSE SINOVA, 40, blacksmith, from Mexico City; married to MARIA GERTRUDIS BOJORQUEZ, 28; children: *Josefa Dolores*, 12; *Casilda de la Cruz*, 9; *Maria Julia*, 4; *Maria Seferina*, 1.

4. FELIPE SANTIAGO GARCIA, muleteer, 40, from Sinaloa; married to PETRA ALCANTARA DE LUGO, 34; children: *Juan Jose*, 16; *Carlos Maria*, 14; *Jose Julian*, 11; *Felipe Santiago*, 8; *Pascual Antonio*, 2; *Pedro Antonio*, 1; *Maria de Jesus*, 9; *Maria Antonia*, 7.

5. JUAN JOSE LOBO (*Villalobo*), 47, muleteer, from Sinaloa; married to MARIA NICOLASA BELTRAN, 33; children: *Maria Rita*, 14; *Maria Antonia*, 12; *Pedro Jose*, 9; *Timoteo*, 6; *Jose Cecilio*, 4; *Maria Dioncia*, 2; *Jose Marcial*, 2 months.

6. PABLO RODRIGUEZ, laborer, 40, from Real de Santa Rosa; married to MARIA ROSALIA NORIEGA, 33; children: *Maria Antonia*, 10; *Maria de Jesus*, 8; *Maria Patricia*, 5; *Maria Margarita*, 2.

7. JOAQUIN DE ARMENTA, laborer, 55, from Sinaloa; married to MARIA LORETA DE LA VEGA, widow, 40; one stepchild (godchild): *Maria Manuela Lisalde*, 12.

8. EFIGENIO RUIZ, 43, cowboy, from El Fuerte; married to MARIA ROSA LOPEZ, 37; children: *Jose Pedro Ruiz*, 16; *Maria Dolores*, 7; *Maria Sirilda*, 5; *Jose Maria*, 1.

9. MANUEL RAMIREZ DE ARELLANO, 46, weaver, from Puebla; married to MARIA AGREDA LOPEZ DE ARCE; children: *Teodoro*, 7; *Rosalia*, 5; *Martina*, 3; *Rafael*, 7 months.

10. PEDRO JOSE ROMERO, laborer, 32, from Guadalajara; married to MARIA GARCIA, 13.

11. ROQUE DE COTA, laborer, 66, from El Fuerte; married to JUANA MARIA VERDUGO, 47; children: *Guillermo*, 22; *Loreta*, 18; *Maria Ignacia*, 11; *Dolores*, 7.

12. JUAN ALBAREZ, 49, cowboy from the Yaqui District; married to BERNARDA SILBAS, 17; one child from the first marriage; *Gertrudis*, 3, and from the second: *Maria Rufina*, one or two months.

13. MARIA SIMONA RODRIGUEZ, 33, from Real de Loreto,

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widow; children: *Francisca*, 7; *Jose Antonio*, 3; *Jose Maria Lopez*, 2.

14. MANUEL CAMERO, laborer, 34, from Chametla; married to TOMASA GARCIA, 32.

15. JOSE MORENO, laborer, 34, from Real de Rosario; married to MARIA GUADALUPE PEREZ, 27; children: *Maria Gertrudis*, 7; *Maria Marta*, 5; *Juan*, 3; *Maria Lorenza*, 8.

16. BASILIO ROSAS, mason, 72, from Nobre de Dios; married to MARIA MANUELA, 47; children: *Jose Maximo*, 23, widower; *Antonio Rosalino*, 12; *Jose Marcelino*, 11; *Juan Estevan*, 10; *Diana Maria*, 7; *Gil Antonio*, 4; orphan grandchildren: *Jose Antonio*, 3; *Maria de la Asencion*, 7.

17. JOSE VILLA, laborer, 43, from Pitic; married to MARIA PAULA MARTINEZ, 30; children: *Vicente Ferrer*, 19; *Maria Estefana*, 8; *Maria Antonia*, 6; *Jose Francisco Antonio*, 2.

18. JOSE VENEGAS, 47, shoemaker, from Real de Bolanos; married to MARIA MAXIMA AGUILAR, 28; one child: *Cosme Damien*, 9.

19. JOSE ONTIVEROS, shoemaker, 43, from Real de Rosario; married to ANA MARIA CARRASCO, 36; one child: *Maria Encarnacion*, 7.

20. MARIA IGNACIA ALVARADO, 28, from Loreto, widow; children: *Jose Maria*, 12; *Francisca*, 7; *Juan Maria*, 6; *Juan Nepomuceno*, 3.

21. SANTIAGO DE LA CRUZ PICO, cowboy, 60, from San Javier de Cavasan; married to *Jacinta de la Bastida*, 53; children: *Javier*, 23; *Patricio*, 27.

22. DOMINGO ARUZ, 43, from Gerona, Spain, laborer; married to GERTRUDIS QUINTERO, 26; children from first marriage: *Martin*, 7; *Domingo*, 12.

23. JOSE ANTONIO NAVARRO, 53, tailor, from Real de Rosario, widower; children: *Jose Maria*, 19; *Jose Clemente*, 18; *Maria Mariana*, 11.

24. FELIX ANTONIO VILLAVICENCIO, 50, cowboy, from Chihuahua; married to MARIA DE LOS SANTOS, 37.

25. MANUEL FIGUEROA, cowboy, 40, from Sinaloa; single.

26. JOAQUIN HIGUERA, 35, laborer, from Sinaloa; married to MARIA TERESA COTA, 24; children: *Juan Jose*, 3; *Ignacio*, 2.

27. MARIA PASCULA DE LUGO, 40, widow, from Sinaloa; children: *Gertrudis*, 11; *Teodoro*, 10; *Rafael*, 6.

28. FRANCISCO REYES, laborer, 43, from Zapotlan; married to MARIA DEL CARMEN DOMINGUEZ, 23; children: *Antonio Faustino*, 4; *Juana Inocencia*, 3; *Jose Jacinto*, 2.

29. FAUSTINO JOSE DE LA CRUZ, 18, servant, from San Blas, single.